Thursday, October 2, 2008

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 3

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of a construction contract with LAMBDA CONSTRUCTION I, LTD, New Braunfels, TX, for the Justin Lane Substation in an amount not to exceed \$1,955,404.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$1,955,404 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of four bids received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) through the achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 19.51% MBE and 0.49% WBE subcontractor participation.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.

This contract will provide Austin Energy (AE) with the turn-key construction of the Justin Lane Substation, a two-unit 69/138kV station, which includes the installation of the initial two-30MVA transformers, two -5 breakers 15kV switchgear units, two -25kA circuit switchers, two 3000 A gas circuit breakers, associated support structures, electrical bus and equipment. This substation is needed in order to serve current and future load requirements and maintain system reliability.

The contract allows 170 calendar days for completion of the project, and work is scheduled to begin in October 2008.